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## **INVESTING IN PEOPLE**

(Education)





LEARNING WITH EASE. Through the Matching Grant Program of the Education Awareness and Support Effort (Ease), implemented by USAid's Growth with Equity in Mindanao (GEM) Program, 546 matching grants, totaling approximately to P29 million, have been awarded to Parent-Teacher-Community Associations (PTCAs), matching funds raised by the latter to improve educational programs,

activities and facilities in individual schools throughout conflict-affected areas of Mindanao. Approximately 1,000 additional grants will be awarded during the next five years. GEM is being implemented under the oversight of the Mindanao Economic Development Council (Medco).